



General Assembly

**Substitute Bill No. 448**

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**AN ACT CONCERNING CABLE TELEVISION EQUIPMENT AND THE  
DISCLOSURE OF RATES FOR CERTAIN SERVICES OFFERED BY  
TELEPHONE AND CABLE COMPANIES.**

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1       Section 1. (NEW) (*Effective October 1, 2012*) (a) Each community  
2       antenna television company, holder of a certificate of cable franchise  
3       authority and holder of a certificate of video franchise authority, as  
4       defined in section 16-1 of the general statutes, shall make available for  
5       purchase to any customer of such company or holder any equipment  
6       necessary for such customer to utilize the community antenna  
7       television service or video service provided by such company or  
8       holder to such customer, provided such purchase is permitted under  
9       federal law.

10       (b) No such company or holder shall refuse to provide community  
11       antenna television service or video service to any customer that uses  
12       equipment provided to such customer by any third party to utilize  
13       such service, provided such equipment does not violate any  
14       requirement or standard established by the Federal Communications  
15       Commission or any applicable federal law.

16       Sec. 2. (NEW) (*Effective from passage*) Each telephone company,  
17       community antenna television company, holder of a certificate of cable  
18       franchise authority and holder of a certificate of video franchise

19 authority, as defined in section 16-1 of the general statutes, shall  
20 display on such company's or holder's Internet web site information  
21 describing each available tier of service offered by such company or  
22 holder. Such information shall be clear, concise and understandable  
23 and shall include the monthly cost and programming included for  
24 each tier of service.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>October 1, 2012</i>	New section
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	New section

**ET**            *Joint Favorable Subst.*